

Title:
Bat vs Poss
Author:
Alexa Moses

Published: 29th January 2019

Picture Book

Meek lives happily with her family in a Paperbark Tree, until Squabbles moves in and demands everyone else moves out! A delightful tale exploring familiar themes of friendship, teamwork, bullying, confrontation and sharing, illustrated by Anil Tortop.



<u>Title:</u> Do You Speak Fish?

Author: DJ Corchin & Dan Dougherty

Published: 1st December 2021

Picture Book

When a boy comes across a fish and says hello, the fish does not respond. The boy is shocked. What a rude fish! But soon he realizes that it isn't up to the fish to speak Boy. Rather, if he wants to communicate, it's up to the boy to take the time to learn how to speak Fish.



2023 Reading List

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Title: Growing up disabled in Australia

Author: Edited by Carly Findlay

Published: 2nd February 2021

Adult Non-Fiction

Growing Up Disabled in Australia is the fifth book in the highly acclaimed, bestselling Growing Up series. It includes interviews with prominent Australians, poetry and graphic art, as well as more than 40 original pieces by writers with a disability or chronic illness.



Title: Growing up African in Australia

Author: Edited by Maxine Beneba Clarke

Published: 2nd April 2019

Adult Non-Fiction

Growing Up African in Australia aims to defy, question or shed light on the many stereotypes that currently exist about the vibrant extended African community in Australia.



<u>Title:</u> Sister Girl

Author: Jackie Huggins

<u>Published:</u> 5th January 2022

Adult Non-Fiction

Four decades of writing by historian and activist Jackie Huggins, combine both the public and personal in a bold trajectory tracing one Murri woman's journey towards selfdiscovery and human

understanding, Huggins offers an Aboriginal view of the history, values and struggles of Indigenous people.



Title: Growing up in Country Australia

<u>Author:</u> Edited by Rick Morton

Published: 29th March 2022

Adult Non-Fiction

Growing Up in Country Australia is a fresh, modern look at country Australia. There are stories of joy, adventure, nostalgia, connection to nature and freedom, but also more grim tales - of drought, fires, mouse plagues and isolation.



<u>Title:</u> My Two Blankets

<u>Author:</u> Irena Kobald

Published: 1st November 2017

Picture Book

Cartwheel has arrived in a new country and feels the loss of all she's ever known. This book is a beautiful tale about friendship and culture, coupled with Freya Blackwood's stunning illustrations.



<u>Title:</u> The Boy from the Mish

Author: Gary Lonesborough

<u>**Published:</u>** 2nd February 2021</u>

Teen Fiction

A funny and heart-warming queer Indigenous YA novel, set in a rural Australian community, about seventeen-year-old Jackson finding the courage to explore who he is, even if it scares him.



<u>Title:</u> You are enough: a book about inclusion

Author: Margaret O'Hair & Sofia Cardoso

Published: 3rd March 2022

Picture Book

This inclusive and empowering picture book reminds readers how important it is to embrace your differences, be confident, and be proud of who you are.



<u>Title:</u> Kiki Kallira Breaks a Kingdom

Author: Sangu Mandanna

Published: 13th July 2021

Junior Fiction

Kiki calms herself through her drawing, one day, her sketchbook's mythological characters spring to life and Kiki is pulled into the mystical world she drew. A fantasy inspired by Hindu legends about anxiety, creativity and finding your strength.



<u>Title:</u> The Seven Moons of Maali Almeida

<u>Author:</u> Shehan Karunatilaka

Published: 1st November 2022

Adult Fiction

Colombo 1990, Maali has woken up dead in what seems like a celestial visa office, he has seven moons to contact the man and woman he loves most and lead them to the photos that will rock Sri Lanka. A thrilling satire and riproaring state of the nation epic that offers equal parts mordant wit and disturbing, profound truths.



Title: Still Alive

<u>Author:</u> Safdar Ahmed

<u>Published:</u> 15th November 2022

Adult Graphic Novel

Weaving journalism, history and autobiography, Still Alive is an intensely personal indictment of Australia's refugee detention policies and procedures, which are not unlike those in many Western nations. It is also a searching reflection on the redemptive power of art (and death metal).



<u>**Title:</u>** Arab, Australian, Other</u>

Author: Edited by Randa Abdel-Fattah and Sarah Saleh

<u>Published:</u> 23rd lulv 2019

Adult Non-Fiction

This collection explores the experience of living as a member of the Arab diaspora in Australia and includes stories of family, ethnicity, history, isolation, belonging and identity.



Title: Growing up queer in Australia

Author: Edited by Benjamin Law

Published: 6th August 2019

Adult Non-Fiction

Growing Up Queer in Australia assembles voices from across the spectrum of LGBTIQA+ identity. Spanning diverse places, eras, genders, ethnicities and experiences, these are the stories of growing up queer in Australia.